

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 431 - SB 1191

March 24, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires parents and guardians to be provided all tests, papers, report, projects, or other content that is graded for the purposes of determining a student's grade in a course or subject within 40 days of the student's submission of work or taking a test.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$16,000,000/FY15-16

Exceeds \$17,000,000/FY16-17 and Subsequent Years

Assumptions:

- Currently state law requires standardized test items to be at least 70 percent refreshed and non-redundant each year.
- Under this bill, the DOE will need to generate a 100 percent new test each fiscal year, beginning in FY15-16.
- Each test will require annual field testing which will include administration, scoring, reporting, and psychometric services.
- The DOE has provided a detailed breakout of the difference in state expenditures between what the state is currently spending on assessments and the increase in state expenditures to meet the requirements of this bill.
- The total increase in state expenditures in FY15-16 is estimated to be \$16,000,000, which includes field testing of new tests; refreshing all test questions; psychometric services; scoring; and other budget items relative to test administration.
- The increase in state expenditures in FY16-17 and subsequent years is estimated to exceed \$17,000,000.
- LEAs will provide the required information in the normal course of business without an increase in personnel or a reduction in other budget expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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